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SUBJ: WFC IN UNGA

1. AFTER AROUND THE CLOCK NEGOTIATIONS THE FOLLOWING TEXT,
BASED UPON THE ORIGINAL USG DRAFT, WAS TABLED BY THE
NON-ALIGNED AND GROUP OF 77 STATES:

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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION 3180 (XXVIII) OF DECEMBER 17,
1973, IN WICH IT RECOGNIZED THAT THE PRINCIPAL TASK OF A
WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE CONSISTED IN DEVELOPING WAYS AND MEANS
WHEREBY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE COULD TAKE SPECIFIC
ACTION TO RESOLVE THE WORLD FOOD PROBLEM WITHIN THE BROADER
CONTEXT OF DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CO-
OPERATION,

HAVING CONSIDERED THE REPORT OF THE UNITED NATIONS WORLD FOOD
CONFERENCE, HELD IN ROME FROM NOVEMBER 5 TO NOVEMBER 16,
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QOURN (AND THE REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL THEREON),

FORWARDED IN ECOSOC RESOLUTION NO.....,

CONSIDERING THAT URGENT ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY ON THE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT THE WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE,

1. TAKES NOTE WITH SATISFACTION OF THE REPORT OF THE UNITED NATIONS WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE;

2. COMMENDS THE SECRETARY GENERAL, THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE CONFERENCE AND THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SUCCESS OF THE CONFERENCE, AND EXPRESSES ITS APPRECIATION TO THE GOVERNMENT OF ITALY AS HOST OF THE CONFERENCE;

3. ENDORSES THE DECLARATION ON THE ERADICATION OF HUNGER AND MALNUTRITION AND THE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT THE CONFERENCE;

4. CALLS UPON GOVERNMENTS TO TAKE URGENT ACTION TO IMPLEMENT THE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT THE CONFERENCE AND TO ACHIEVE THE GOALS ESTABLISHED THEREIN;

5. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY GENERAL AND THE EXECUTIVE HEADS OF THE SUBSIDIARY ORGANS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND OF THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES TO TAKE EXPEDITIOUS ACTION IN LINE WITH THE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT THE CONFERENCE;

6 INVITES THE ORGANISATION OF THE UN. SYSTEM TO CONSIDER THE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT THE WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE ON AN URGENT BASIS AND TO TAKE THE NECESSARY STEPS FOR THEIR EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION;

7. ESTABLISHES A WORLD FOOD COUNCIL AT THE MINISTERIAL OR PLENIPOTENTIARY LEVEL TO FUNCTION AS AN ORGAN OF THE UNITED NATIONS, REPORTING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THROUGH THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL AND HAVING THE PURPOSES, FUNCTIONS AND MODE OF OPERATION SET FORTH IN RESOLUTION XXII OF THE CONFERENCE;

8 DECIDES THAT MEMBERSHIP OF THE COUNCIL SHALL CONSIST OF 27 MEMBERS NOMINATED BY ECOSOC AND ELECTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR A TERM OF 3 YEARS, TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION BALANCED
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GEOGRAPHICAL REPRESENTATION, # WITH 1/3RD OF THE MEMBERS RETIRING EVERY YEAR. RETIRING MEMBERS WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR RE-ELECTION;

9 REQUESTS THE ECOSOC TO NOMINATE THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL AT ITS RESUMED 57TH SESSION FOR ELECTION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS CURRENT SESSION;

10. DECIDES THAT THE FIRST MEETING OF THE COUNCIL BE CONVENED

NOT LATER THAN 1ST JULY 1975;

11. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION FOR ESTABLISHING A SECRETARIAT FOR THE COUNCIL WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE FAO., THE SECRETARIAT ARRANGEMENTS WILL REQUIRE APPROVAL OF THE WORLD FOOD COUNCIL;

12. DECIDES TO REVIEW, AT ITS NEXT REGULAR SESSION, ACTIONS TAKEN TO RESOLVE THE WORLD FOOD PROBLEM AS A RESULT OF THE WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE, AND TO THIS END, REQUESTS THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS NEXT REGULAR SESSION ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS;

13. FURTHER REQUESTS THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO CONVENE URGENTLY A MEETING OF ALL INTERESTED COUNTRIES, INCLUDING THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CONTRIBUTING DEVELOPED COUNTRIES, CONTRIBUTING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, AND POTENTIAL RECIPIENT COUNTRIES, AND ALL INTERESTED INSTITUTIONS TO WORK OUT THE DETAILS OF AN INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AS ENVISAGED IN RESOLUTION XIII OF THE WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE.

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2. ON EXAMINATION OF THE TEXT, WALDHEIM REJECTED OUT OF HAND OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 11 INSISTING THAT THE SECRETARIAT OF A ORGAN OF THE UN MUST HAVE FINALITY OVER THE JURISDICTION OF THE UN SYG. THIS POSITION URGED UPON WALDHEIM PRINCIPALLY BY DESEYNES, KITTANI, CORDOVEZ AND MAREI THREATENS THE INTEGRITY OF THE OPERATIONAL RES QUOTED ABOVE. AS A RESULT, THE G-77 HAVE INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS TO IMPROVE THE TEXT.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO DRAFT RESOLUTION
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1. INCLUSION OF THE FOLLOWING AS PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH 2:

"FURTHER RECALLING THE DECLARATION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER AND THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION ADOPTED AT THE SIXTH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

2. ADDITION OF THE FOLLOWING TO OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 10:

"AND FOR THIS PURPOSE THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL SHALL UNDERTAKE NECESSARY CONSULTATIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE"

3. ALTERNATIVE OPERATIVE PARA 11 TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

" REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE
DIRECTOR GENERAL OF FAO TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION FOR ESTABLISHING
A SECRETARIAT FOR THE COUNCIL" AS SET FORTH IN WFC RES (XXII)

4. SUBSTITUTION OF THE WORDS "NEXT REGULAR" BY "THIRTIETH"
IN THE FIRST LINE AND OF "ITS NEXT REGULAR" BY "THAT" IN
OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 12.

3. IN LATE PM. DECEMBER 5 DISCUSSIONS, US. MIN-COUN
MADE UNHAPPY RESERVATIONS ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT ONE
AND INDICATED THAT THIS IS THE MAXIMUM INTRODUCTION OF
6TH SPECIAL SESSION ISSUES TOLERABLE TO USG. OUR
ACQUIESCENCE ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT ONE TO DRAFT RES
ASSUMES THAT NO FURTHER SUBSTANTIVE MODIFICATIONS OF DRAFT
RES ON WFC WOULD BE INTRODUCED.

4. OUR NEXT STEP NOW IS TO BRING PRESSURE TO BEAR ON
SYG WALDHEIM TO ACCEPT TEXT OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT FOUR
WHICH, TAKEN IN CONJUNCTION WITH OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 7
OF DRAFT RES, SEEKS TO PRESERVE INTEGRITY OF PARAGRAPH 4(B)
OF WORLD FOOD COUNCIL RES 22.
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